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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Seiichi P. Matsuda et al.

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Ramirez, Delia M.

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Angela Loding

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is filed in response to the election/restriction requirement dated June 30, 2004. The Examiner is requiring an election of inventions under 35 U.S.C. 121.

Applicants hereby elect with traverse to prosecute Claims 1-18, 25-32, drawn to Group I, and Claims 19-24 and 33-79 are hereby cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application for these claims at a later date.

Applicants also elect SEQ ID No: 1 for Claim 1, SEQ ID No: 361 for Claims 3 and 27, and SEQ ID No.: 383 for Claim 31.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants have now made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for examination and allowance. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$210 for a two-month extension of time and believe no further fee is due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2580.

Respectfully submitted,

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